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1. Friends of the "Populist Party are saying that "the success of Tsaldaris in getting the Populist Party back into the Government has stopped the stream of outcries against him heard in the heart of the Party".
2. The decision of Sophocles Venizelos to collaborate with the Populist Party and the consequent withdrawal of Constantine Rendis and Zigdis from the Liberal Party has started great agitation; there is a strong tendency to break up the Party, and for other leading members to withdraw from it.
3. The withdrawal of Rendis and the rumored withdrawal of Zannas are worrying the leaders of the Party; in order to blunt the effect of Rendis' action, friends of Venizelos are saying that they will produce evidence proving that Rendis was never a Liberal. Dimitrios Triantafyllou, one of the close friends of Venizelos, reportedly stated, "At last we are free from the tyranny of Rendis and his crowd, and we invite Zannas to leave, too, so that we can be free from those who have always raised difficulties in the way of the decisions of the Prime Minister (Venizelos)".
4. Deputy Grigorios Kasimatis is reported to have stated, "We said that we would overthrow Plastiras and be freed from his 'Christian charity'. But we did not intend to fall into the hands of Tsaldaris. We hoped that SPEK would vote for us. After the overthrow of the Venizelos-Papandreou Government, however, reasons of expediency compelled our collaboration with Tsaldaris. I personally could not participate in the new government."

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